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MINUTES UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

Conference Call 195 North 1950 West-3rd floor GSL Conf Rm Salt Lake City, Utah 84116 **February 26, 2014**

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN CALL

Myron Bateman Jennifer Grant Shane Pace

Merritt Frey Gregg Galecki Hugo Rodier Clyde Bunker

Excused: Amanda Smith, Leland Myers

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Walt Baker (Called in), Leah Ann Lamb, Faye Bell and Chris Bittner

Myron Bateman called the Board meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Executive Secretary's Report: Ms. Lamb explained to the Board that Ed Macauley, Section Manager to the Engineering Section as resigned from the Division of Water Quality. Noted on the agenda is a request to select John Mackey as the acting section manager until one can be hired at a later date.

Appointment as Loan Program Signatory: Ms. Lamb explained to the Board that John Mackey has been asked to be the Acting Engineering Section Manager replacing Ed Macauley. John will be responsible for closing loans and executing hardship grant agreements in behalf of the Water Quality Board. This request is for the Water Quality board to designate John Mackey as a signatory for official documents associated with the Utah Wastewater Project Assistance Program until which time a Manager for the Engineering Section is selected.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Bunker and seconded by Mr. Pace designate John

Mackey as a signatory for official documents associated with the Utah Wastewater Project Assistance Program until which time a Manager for the

Engineering Section is selected. The motion was unanimously.

Note: Mr. Baker called in to the meeting at this point.

Invitation for a Board member to serve as hearing officer for two upcoming public hearings: Mr. Bittner explained to the Board there are two public hearings coming up, on March 3rd and March 5th for the Triennial Review and Site-specific standard for Blue Creek. He asked if any of the Board members would

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like to act as hearing officer for either of these meetings. Mr. Bateman volunteered to be the hearing office for the March 3rd meeting. None of the Board members could be the hearing officer for the March 5th meeting, so Mr. Bittner said he will ask one of the staff to take care of that meeting.

Appointment of Sudweeks Award Committee: Mr. Baker explained to the Board that each year a person is selected to receive the "Sudweeks Award", which is in recognition of someone in the State who has shown leadership and achievement in the field of water pollution control and/or water quality improvement in the State of Utah. Staff is asking three members of the board to serve on the selection committee. Mr. Pace, Mr. Bunker and Mr. Bateman offered to serve on the committee.

Other: Mr. Baker gave the Board a heads up, explaining to the Board that he has received a letter from the mayors of the six communities, outside of Logan City, that are served by Logan City's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The mayors state that the replacement of Logan City's WWTP presents a unique opportunity for a service district to be created which would provide their six communities with a place at the table and a vote in wastewater issues that has not been in place since Logan City began treating the wastewater of neighboring communities over 20 years ago. The mayors further request that the Board's final approval for the funding of Logan City's project be delayed until this issue is resolved or the Board condition its funding on the formation of a district. He explained the matter will be discussed in depth at the March meeting of the Board.

Next Meeting – March 26, 2014 @ 9:30 a.m. DEQ Building Board Room #1015 195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

> Myron Bateman, Chair Utah Water Quality Board